BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2003-3-E - ORDER NO. 2003-162

MARCH 19, 2003

IN RE: Duke Power – Annual Review of Base Rates

for Fuel Costs.

ORDER ESTABLISHING

PREFILING DEADLINES

This matter is before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for the purpose of establishing pre-filing deadlines for testimony and exhibits. Pursuant to 26 S.C. Regs. 103-869(C)(Supp.2002), the Commission hereby orders that twenty-five copies of the direct testimony and exhibits of Duke Power shall be prefiled on or before **April 23, 2003**, and that twenty-five copies of the direct testimony and exhibits of the Commission Staff and/or other parties shall be prefiled on or before **May 7, 2003**. (Direct testimony and exhibits may be post-marked on these dates.) Also, any rebuttal testimony and exhibits of Duke Power shall be pre-filed on or before **May 14, 2003**, and any surrebuttal testimony and exhibits of the Commission Staff and/or other parties shall be pre-filed on or before **May 19, 2003**. (Rebuttal testimony and exhibits and surrebuttal testimony and exhibits must be in the offices of the Commission and in the hands of the parties on these dates.)

It should be noted that acceptance into the record of surrebuttal testimony and exhibits is subject to the discretion of the Commission. In addition, parties shall serve their pre-filed testimony and exhibits on all other parties of record as required by the

Commission's Rules and Regulations. All parties are reminded that all witnesses must be present during any hearing in this matter at the call of the Chairman, or the Commission may decline to allow the witnesses' testimony to be read into the record of the proceeding, and/or may decline to allow the witnesses' exhibits to be entered into the evidence of the case.

Please take notice that any party requesting modification of this schedule must file a request for such modification with the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Mignon L. Clyburn, Chairman

ATTEST:

Gary E. Walsh, Executive Director

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